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To: [redacted]

Dear Mr. Nyberg

I do not know if you have researched the engraving work done by Robert Scot in connection with Virginia paper money issued from 1775 through 1779. In the 5th edition of my book entitled The Early Paper Money of America (2009), page 444, etc. and 487 I included work done by Robert Scot. This was obtained for me by another researcher who combed through the records of Virginia. None of these engravings Scot made seemed to have his name on them, but he was apparently paid for doing the work.

My basic reason for wishing to contact you was that I have been endeavoring to find the source of two terrestrial engravings which were included in the American edition of William Guthrie's Geography. The American edition was published in Philadelphia in 1794 and 1795 and consists of two volumes. Guthrie had published in England similar geographies beginning about 1770 and revised those from time to time before and after the American edition. I do not know whether the terrestrial engravings were included in any of the English editions or not. In the American edition the two terrestrial engravings are in the early part of Volume 1, which was dated 1794 and which had contributions from David Rittenhouse, who as you know was the first Director of the United States Mint. The American edition of the Guthrie Geography has never been cited as a numismatic source until David Fanning and I published a short discussion of it in the Asylum in 2010.

My telephone number is 314 727-0850. My email is indicated on this message. My address is 6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63105. I am at home at virtually all times and will be delighted to hear from you in any way. I have been writing on numismatic matters for about 60 years and continue to do so. I was delighted to read about you in eAsylum and my friend Robert Julian, a fellow numismatic researcher, was kind enough to send me information as to how to contact you.

I have in my Atlas collection the Gazetteer, which Robert Scot prepared.

I hope the foregoing is interesting to you and look forward to hearing from you.

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